



# ARCHDIOCESE OF ARMAGH *Clogherhead & Walshestown Parish*



SS Peter & Paul, Walshestown

***To build bridges, bring together and renew the parish community in a spirit of faith, trust and hope through loving service of God and of our neighbour***

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  Clogherhead and Walshestown parish

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS Tuesday 9.30am-12.30 & Thursday 3pm-5pm**

**SCHOOLS - St Denis': 982 2873; St Paul's : 685 2285**

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*Sunday Cycle B*

**TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
*Weekday Cycle 2*

**22<sup>nd</sup> Sept 2024**  
*Psalter Week 1*

## **SEASON OF CREATION**

### **THE FIRST FRUITS OF HOPE: BUILDING A BETTER FUTURE**

The symbol for this year, "The First fruits of Hope," signifies that through hope, we can overcome the damage and decay threatening our world. This hope is a gift from God, enabling us to act responsibly. It encourages us to move beyond selfish goals towards a more profound sense of duty to care for our planet. By nurturing hope, we participate in the renewal of our world, working together to create harmony within creation. Hopeful actions can take many forms, such as supporting sustainability initiatives, advocating for policies like the Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty, and educating ourselves and others about the importance of caring for the Earth. These actions are the seeds of hope that, when nurtured, can lead to meaningful change.



**Relic of St Bernadette** The holy relics of St Bernadette are currently on a pilgrimage of Ireland and will be visiting St Patrick's church, Dundalk in mid October. The visit of the relics are a fitting prelude to the launch of the Jubilee Year 2025 with its theme 'Pilgrims of Hope' .

The Parish List of the Dead, deceased benefactors  
and the recently deceased: **Sean Matthews** (Fr. O'Donnell Park)  
**Elizabeth Quaille, Niamh Dolan & Breen Brady**

**Mass Intentions This Week**

Saturday 21 September @ **7.30pm** Termonfeckin ~ Breda & Patrick Berns  
+ Maureen Shannon (*Month's Mind*) & Dot Carr (*Month's Mind*) •  
Doreen McHugh

Sunday 22 September @ **9.15am** Sandpit ~  
Jim & Mary Whearty & family deceased

Sunday 22 September @ **10.45am** Walshestown ~ Kevin Fox

Sunday 22 September @ **12noon** Clogherhead ~  
Joyce Phillips (*1st Anniversary*) • Nicholas McLeer • Mary & Tom Lynch

Thursday 26 September @ **9.30am** Clogherhead ~

Saturday 28 September @ **7.30pm** Termonfeckin ~  
Paddy Farrell • Corina McBride + baby Jack

Sunday 29 September @ **9.15am** Sandpit ~  
Joe Corrigan (*1st Anniversary*) • Paddy Farrell

Sunday 29 September @ **10.45am** Walshestown ~ Paddy Farrell

Sunday 29 September @ **12noon** Clogherhead ~  
Phil Kirk • Larry, Maggie, Jane & Sr Annette Kirwan (*Harbour Road*) + Noel  
Kirwan • Paddy Farrell • William Sharkey & family deceased

**Tuesday Holy Hour:** Adoration from 10-11am including the Miraculous Medal  
Novena.

**Blessing of the Fleet:** This Blessing of Boats will take place today (Sunday  
22<sup>nd</sup> September) at 3pm at the Harbour.

**Vocation Discernment weekend** Monastery of St. Catherine of Siena, The  
Twenties, Drogheda A92 KR84 - Vocation Discernment Weekend  
(Dominican Contemplative life) - from 18<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> of October (Other  
weekends by arrangement)- single women - age 18-35. Contact  
Sr. Mairead, 041 9838524, sienavoc@gmail.com . Website:  
www.dominicannuns.ie

**Do you want to learn more about your faith and  
develop more confidence around your baptismal calling?**

If you are interested, why not consider joining the Diocesan Theology Programme. The programme is accredited by St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth. There are no educational entry requirements, and completion of the course is based on submitted work. There are no formal exams. Our Theology Programme will be starting this year on 28<sup>th</sup> September. The closing date for applications is 26<sup>th</sup> September. The application form is available on the diocesan website <https://www.armagharchdiocese.org/diocesan-theology-programme-2/>. When completed, please send to [milandaoprfrm@gmail.com](mailto:milandaoprfrm@gmail.com) as soon as possible. For more information, please contact Milanda at 042 9342954 (9am-2pm Monday to Friday).

**St Vincent de Paul Outreach** Need help? Remember, you are not alone. Ring this number..... 1800 677777.

**St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), priest - Feast: 23<sup>rd</sup> September**

*Whatever fears we have in life can be forgotten with the name of Jesus. If anxiety or worries cloud your mind, remember that Jesus is more than any of our fears. The promise of His love, His mercy is more than anything.*

**Rolling road closures** The Port Beach triathlon will take place next Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> September. For safety reasons there will be rolling road closures on the L2244 Port to Hackett's Cross road, R166 Hackett's Cross to Murray's Cross & Murray's Cross to Togher's Cross L2244 Port Beach between 9am and 1pm

**Vocations** Twenty-one new seminarians have begun their 2024-2025 academic programme and priestly formation for Irish dioceses. Please remember them in your prayers.

*There is no such question as to who is "the greatest in the service of God".  
We are all infinitely loveable in the sight of God.*

**Annual Service of Remembrance** Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital, Women and Children services are holding their annual service of remembrance for families affected by pregnancy, infant, and child loss. The service will take place in MMM Auditorium, Hardmans Gardens, Drogheda, A92 XKX0 on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 3pm. All welcome

**Are you interested in becoming a Catholic?** The Archdiocese of Armagh are hosting an information evening on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October in St Patrick's Church, Dundalk @ 7pm. Please contact Sharon on 087-6417334 or by email on [dunnesharon.pastoralcentre@gmail.com](mailto:dunnesharon.pastoralcentre@gmail.com)

1. Jesus uses the time they are travelling along the road to teach his disciples what it means to follow him. Think of the wisdom you have acquired about life, about faith, about what it means to be a Christian. Who have been your teachers? Remember them and give thanks for them.
2. One of the lessons Jesus gives them is that there is a dying to be endured as we move to a fuller life. That was the road he would travel. It is also our journey, not only at the end of this earthly life, but also in small ways through life. When have you found that by dying in some way you came to a fuller life?
3. The sacrifices made by front line health care workers during the coronavirus pandemic were an inspiration to many. Likewise the example of medical personnel and NGO staff helping refugees in Gaza and elsewhere They put themselves at risk to care for the sick, and some of them died. Are there other people who have inspired you by their service of others.
4. Achievement, affirmation, recognition, and status are attractive and enjoyable when they come our way. Yet we can be in trouble if, like the disciples, we become caught up in pursuit of them. Jesus tells them that true greatness lies in service of others. Who are the people whose support and assistance help you now? What has helped you to appreciate the value of loving service of others?

*John Byrne OSA*

*How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, "Your God reigns!" (Isaiah 52:7)*

**Trip to Rome in the Jubilee Year 2025** From 10<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> March 2025, €829.00 per person sharing a twin/double, €995.00 single room. Please contact Ann or Mary in the parish office for more information on 087-3791443

**Praise & Worship Prayer** meeting Held every Tuesday at 8pm in the Parish Hall (Old School, Termonfeckin) Eircode A92 DNT9. Further inquiries contact Sandra 085 8110475. All are welcome.

**Internet Broadcasting** Mass and other services will be broadcast each day over the internet. The operator of the system is Fr. Paul Byrne Adm, Parochial House, Termonfeckin. Tel 041-9822121, to whom queries should be referred.